



Media release

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Resignation of Rous County Council General Manager

The Chair of Rous County Council, Councillor Robert Mustow, today announced he had received a resignation from the General Manager, Mr Kyme Lavelle who has been in the position nine years.

Councillor Mustow said he was disappointed to see Mr Lavelle leave given his significant achievements during his period with Council but wished him well in retirement after a 42 year career in local government.



“Mr Lavelle leaves a much healthier organisation both in capacity and resourcing and was responsible for many successful projects including: Introduction of fluoride into the region’s water supply for most areas; disposal of commercial properties and further development of our residential estate at Caniaba; development of a future water strategy for next 50 years; major reform of the regional county structure and internal restructuring that produced annual savings of \$850,000 to support maintaining water tariffs limited to rate pegging and to enable additional works and services, particularly in flood mitigation and weed management. In fact our weed services division is now recognised as the lead agency in NSW for weed biosecurity services through his leadership”.

“His efforts in making our regional water supply more secure during storm events was a major milestone in our infrastructure development as the region can now be assured power outages will not affect supply during these events. He has also been managing the planning for a major upgrade of facilities at Rocky Creek Dam which should be completed by the end of the year”.

Cr Mustow said Council will now begin the process of seeking a suitable replacement for this position and will be assessing recruitment options shortly

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